

REMARKS

The Office Action dated May 24, 2004 has been received and carefully noted. Claims 1-6 are pending in this application, with claim 7 canceled by the present amendment. However, claim 7 has been maintained by filing a continuation application herewith. In the outstanding Office Action claims 1-6 were allowed and claim 7 rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e). The cancellation of claim 7 renders this rejection moot.

Since all claims remaining in this application have been allowed. Applicants request prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowability.

If this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, **referencing docket number 101201-00014.**

Respectfully submitted,

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